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Subject: End of Day -- December 15, 2016

MEDIA

Press release issued: Syngenta complaint filed: FIFRA complaint against Syngenta Seeds seeks \$4.8 million in penalties for alleged violations of federal pesticide regulations meant to protect agriculture workers at its crop research farm on Kauai. (Dean Higuchi)

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-files-complaint-against-syngenta-farmworker-safety-violations-kauai>

Early media coverage:

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/epa-seeks-fine-chemical-giant-5m-hawaii-case-44222261>

<http://www.staradvertiser.com/2016/12/15/business/business-breaking/epa-alleges-syngenta-exposed-workers-to-pesticide/>

<http://www.civilbeat.org/2016/12/epa-seeks-4-8m-from-syngenta-for-pesticide-violations-on-kauai/>

<http://www.newsroomamerica.com/story/613832.html>

<http://www.wireservice.ca/index.php?module=News&func=display&sid=20384>

http://www.heraldcourier.com/news/national/epa-seeks-to-fine-chemical-giant-nearly-m-for-hawaii/article_de4d6afc-43ec-5c22-895e-ef8f1a2f2684.html

<http://www.sltrib.com/home/4718826-155/epa-seeks-to-fine-syngenta-5m>

Press releases issued to amplify HQ's ORD announcement: [EPA to Help Apache Junction, Ariz., Meet Sustainability Goals, Increase Infill](#) (Soledad Calvino)

[U.S. EPA to Help Bishop, Calif., Meet Sustainability Goals,](#)

[Revitalize Downtown](#)

ABC10 (Sacramento): Reporter Anthony Cave is asking about the contaminated groundwater status for Aerojet and the fact that it is listed as "not under control." Reporter is asking for an update on its status and when it might be considered under control. Provided written response. SF (v) CLOSED: Michele Huitric

KPIX/CBS (San Francisco): Producer Leslie Donaldson is asking for updates on the Iron Mountain Superfund site and the possibility of visiting the site. Had a call with producer and Rusty Harris-Bishop to provide background and logistical information about the site. Sending case study write-up about the site to producer, and will keep her posted about timing of potential visit (which will coincide with RPM site visit). SF (v) CLOSED: Michele Huitric

Long Beach Press Telegram: Reporter Rachel Uranga is attending the hearing for Anaplex and Aerocraft and is wondering if EPA is investigating these two companies. Sent Statement. CLOSED. Nahal Mogharabi.

WEB & SOCIAL

Social Media:

Working with Communities/Asthma – Posted to our [Twitter](#) page about our work with local organizations in Imperial Valley to address childhood asthma and linked to a video of [the Director of the Imperial Valley Child Asthma Program discussing the program](#).

Web Updates:

Syngenta – In conjunction with the news release today, published the document, [Syngenta Seeds Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing](#), which was linked to from our news release, [EPA files complaint against Syngenta for farmworker safety violations on Kauai](#).

Trash-Free Waters – Posted a link to the news release, [U.S. EPA Requires Plastic Manufacturer to Protect Santa Clara River from Pollution](#) on our [Trash-Free Waters](#) site.

Online Updates:

News this Week – Highlighted the latest [Feature Story](#) on R9 science projects funded by ORD, the new Fitness Center and early time entry for People Plus this pay period.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA-40): Brent Maier coordinated and participate in a call with Congressional staff in the Congresswoman's DC and District Offices including Adam Sachs, Ana Figueroa, Talia Leon, and Genesis Coronado who asked for EPA to provide them with information on EPA's past and ongoing involvement in the hexavalent chromium issue in Paramount, California. The genesis of today's call was a Los Angeles Times [article](#) which mentions some U.S. EPA involvement. Participants from EPA included Enforcement Division's Joel Jones, Air Division's Amy Zimpfer, Steven Leonido-John, Nahal Mogharabi, and Kristine Karlson. Joel and Amy are following up on a couple of items raised during the call and Brent will share this information with the Congresswoman's staff. Brent shared with Congressional staff a copy of the 2015 consent decree EPA has with Anaplex for Clean Water Act, pretreatment and RCRA violation and included our complaint and the Court's order entering the decree on July 10, 2015.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): Brent Maier received a request from Alexis Segal in the Senator's DC Office to set up a briefing with staff/managers in our Water Division to discuss water quality challenges in the San Francisco Bay Delta system. Brent has reached out to Alexis to clarify if her request is focused on the San Francisco Bay or Delta and she is interested in both, but would like to focus initially on the Delta. Awaiting word back from Nancy Woo and Kathy Goforth as to whether we can set up a call prior to the new Congress reconvening on January 3rd.

HQ OCFO Request to Region IX on Santa Ana Sucker and EPA: Ed Walsh, Senior Policy Advisor and Liaison to the Committees on Appropriations in HQ Office of the Chief Financial Officer reached out to Brent Maier and Water Division's David W. Smith asking for some information from our office on an issue raised to him by a Committee staff member in Congressman Ken Calvert's District involving a discharge from a San Bernardino County, CA Water District wastewater utility. Known as "RIX", the Colton/San Bernardino Regional Tertiary Treatment and Water Reclamation Authority - Regional Tertiary Treatment Rapid Infiltration and Extraction Facility discharges about 28 MGD into the Upper Santa Ana River. The reach to which the discharge goes is effluent dominated and is habitat for the ESA listed Santa Ana Sucker. Water Division's David W. Smith put together a summary document which was shared with Ed Walsh and also a contact at DOI. Ed shared the summary with the Committee staff member and in a follow up call today, let Region IX know that our summary helped their understanding of the issue and no additional follow up is needed at this time.

San Francisco Mayor Lee and Supervisor Cohen Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Briefing: Superfund Division Director Enrique Manzanilla participated along with representatives from the US Navy, DTSC, SF DPH, OCII, SWRCB and Five Point in a meeting with San Francisco Mayor Lee and Supervisor Cohen to discuss the current status of clean-up at Hunters Point Shipyard. The next few month's meetings are scheduled for January 25, 2017, 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and for February 22, 2017, 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting took place at City Hall.

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA-12): The Congresswoman's Chief of Staff, Robert Edmondson, requested a copy of a letter that EPA sent to the Navy regarding Hunters Point Naval Shipyard on December 14th and Brent Maier shared a PDF copy of the letter provided by Superfund's Lily Lee.

Congressional Outreach on Region IX Awardees for Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities Program: Brent Maier shared today's press releases with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein, Jeff Flake, and John McCain and Representatives Paul Cook and David Schweikert regarding EPA awardees including the City of Bishop, CA that will receive assistance for identifying strategies and tools to attract redevelopment to the town's center, and in Arizona, the City of Apache Junction that will receive assistance to encourage infill projects for the revitalization of the town's center.

Tomorrow – Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-23): Brent Maier has confirmed a call with Kyle Lombardi, Legislative Director in the Congressman's DC office to provide him with an update on the aquifer exemption issue from our Water Division's Mike Montgomery and David Albright. The call is scheduled for 9:00am PT.

Upcoming Congressional and Intergovernmental Meetings:

Tuesday - Wednesday, January 17 – 18, 2017 - US Conference of Mayors to Convene in January 2017: USCM's 85th Annual Winter Meeting will convene in Washington, DC January 17th – 19th. Mayor Mick Cornett (Oklahoma City, OK) serves as President. Mayors Mitch Landrieu (New Orleans, LA), and Stephen K. Benjamin (Columbia, SC) are Vice President and Second Vice President, respectively. Policy Committees and Task Forces will convene during the conference. Resolutions are not considered during the Winter Meeting; however, the conference provides an opportunity for the mayors to hear from Administration officials and key federal agency program staff. The Mayors Water Council will meet on Tuesday, January 17th, and will be extending an invitation to the Assistant Administrator for Water to engage with the Task Force. Mayors Joy Cooper (Hallandale Beach, FL), and **Jill Techel (Napa, CA)**, serve as Co-Chairs. The Environment Committee (**Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, AZ, Chair**) will meet on Wednesday, January 18th. USCM staff will confirm any federal agency representatives the committee is interested in inviting across the administration, including EPA. OIR will manage EPA's participation in the Winter Meeting, including all invitations for speakers or private meetings. **OCIR's Arnita Hannon has requested Regions to provide Hot Issues for our Region IX Mayors and they are due by Tuesday, January 10th.**

Report out on Recent Western Governors Association (WGA) Meeting: Western Governors formally approved seven new policy resolutions on the state-federal relationship, states' share of royalties and leasing revenues, water quality, tax-exempt federal lands, and storage and disposal of radioactive waste at the Western Governors' Association 2016 Winter Meeting at the Hotel del Coronado in San Diego, California. Western Governors enact new policy resolutions and amend existing resolutions on a bi-annual basis. The announcement of the new resolutions concluded the Winter Meeting, hosted by WGA Chairman and Montana Gov. Steve Bullock. The resolutions adopted today by Western Governors are informed by their dedication to the protection of their constitutional prerogatives. WGA Policy Resolution 2017-01 articulates specific policy on the state-federal relationship and suggests a framework for its realignment.

Resolution 2017-01: Building a Stronger State-Federal Relationship: Where authority has been delegated by the federal government to the states, states should be granted the maximum administrative discretion possible and should be treated as co-regulators.

Resolution 2017-02: States' Share of Royalties and Leasing Revenues from Federal Lands: The federal government must honor its statutory obligations to share royalty and lease payments with states and counties.

Resolution 2017-03: Tax-Exempt Federal Lands and Secure Rural Schools: The federal government must honor its historic Payment In Lieu of Taxes agreement with states and counties in the West to compensate them for tax-exempt federal lands within their borders.

Resolution 2017-04: Water Quality in the West: States have jurisdiction over water resource allocation decisions and are responsible for balancing state water resource needs within the objectives of the federal Clean Water Act.

Resolution 2017-05: Storage and Disposal of Radioactive Waste and Spent Nuclear Fuel: Governors must be consulted about federal activities involving the transportation, storage or disposal of radioactive waste within a state's borders.

Resolution 2017-06: Financial Assurance Regulation: Western Governors believe that states have financial assurance regulatory programs in place that are working well and they should not be preempted or duplicated by any Environmental Protection Agency program.

Resolution 2017-07: Regulations of Coal Combustion Residuals: Western Governors support safe, beneficial use of coal combustion residuals and call on the Environmental Protection Agency to work with states and stakeholders to develop a national framework for advancing beneficial use.

[Read, download all seven resolutions](#)